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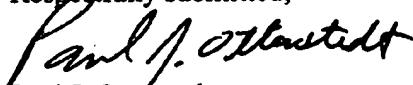
Sir:

Submitted herewith are the following documents relating to the above-identified patent application:

1. Appeal Brief; and
2. Copy of Notice of Appeal, filed on October 11, 2005, with copy of stamped return postcard indicating receipt of Notice by PTO on October 13, 2005.

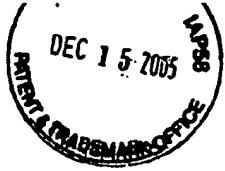
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Applicants hereby appeal the final rejection dated July 12, 2005, of claims 1 through 18 of the above-identified patent application.

30 REAL PARTY IN INTEREST

The present application is assigned to International Business Machines Corporation, as evidenced by an assignment recorded on June 16, 2000 in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 010926, Frame 0168. The real party in interest is Lenovo Group Limited, One Manhattanville Road, Suite PH, Purchase, New York 10577-2100, which is the beneficiary of an obligation of assignment from the assignee of record, International Business Machines Corporation.

RELATED APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

There are no related appeals or interferences.

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